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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Roger Ehlman
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Department of State

SUBJECT: Reports of Possible Soviet Bloc Interference with
Communications

REFERENCE: USIB-2-24. /1 of 21 March 1961 (Warning Survey)

1. Recommendation Number 7 of the Warning Survey, which was approved by the USIB on 21 March 1961, reads as follows:

"Consider the desirability of a watch for possible Soviet Bloc interference with Eastern communications, with arrangements with government and non-government communications organizations for the prompt reporting to the NIC for the Watch Committee of any indications of such interference."

2. Implementing action of the USIB on the recommendation was, "The Joint Staff will keep NIC advised of any communications interferences." Subsequent arrangements have been made with DCA, NSA, and CIA for the reporting to NIC of instances of Soviet Bloc interference. While it is recognized that these agencies control the major portion of communications likely to be the target for Soviet Bloc interference, there may be circuits under State control which might also be involved.

3. I would appreciate it if you would arrange within the Department of State for prompt reporting to the National Indications Center of any instances of interference with Department of State communications (exclusive of those provided by the CIA) which might possibly be of Soviet Bloc origin. The person for them to contact in the NIC is its [redacted] [redacted]. He would be glad to be of assistance in answering questions and in arranging to establish a channel for such reports to the NIC."

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